

SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 11, 2005

SLED agents arrested and charged a former South Carolina Highway Patrol Trooper with three counts of **Misconduct in Office** on Friday, March 11, 2005.

William Kelly Pierce, 33, of Columbia, S.C., was arrested at approximately 8:15 a.m. and booked at the Richland County Detention Center.

Pierce was previously arrested on similar charges on January 27, 2005 and February 16, 2005.

***Warrants attached.**

ARREST WARRANT

H-462228

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

JASPER COUNTY

THE STATE

against

PIERCE, WILLIAM KELLY

Address: 209 NORTH CHATEAU ROAD

COLUMBIA, SC

Phone: 803-247-3481 SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: M Race: M Height: 5'11" Weight: 200

DL State: SC DL#: [REDACTED]

DOB: 10/24/1971 Agency ORI#: SLED00009

Prosecuting Agency: SLED

Prosecuting Officer: [REDACTED]

Offense: PUBLIC/MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE BY

PUBLIC OFFICIAL Offense Code: 115

Code/Ordinance Sec: 8-1-80

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

RICHMOND The accused

is to be arrested and brought before me to be

dealt with according to law

Date: 3/10/05 Signature of Judge: [REDACTED] (L.S.)

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant PIERCE, WILLIAM KELLY on [REDACTED]

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

MARIE C. RAWL

P. O. BOX 665

RIDGELAND, SC 29936

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

JASPER COUNTY

Personally appeared before me the affiant ROBINSON, MIKE / SLED who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant PIERCE, WILLIAM KELLY

did within this county and state on 03/05/04 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of JASPER)

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: PUBLIC/MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE BY PUBLIC OFFICIAL

8-1-80

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

UPON INFORMATION AND BELIEF ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2004 THE DEFENDANT, WILLIAM KEITH PIERCE, A SC STATE TROOPER, WHOSE DUTIES INCLUDED THE ISSUING OF TRAFFIC TICKETS DID ISSUE TICKET #8700829 IN WHICH HE ACCEPTED \$232.00 AND FAILED TO TURN THE MONEY INTO THE COURT, CONVERTING IT TO HIS OWN PERSONAL USE. THIS INCIDENT OCCURRING IN THE COUNTY OF JASPER, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND BEING IN VIOLATION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS 17-25-0030 AS AMENDED.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 3-9-05

[REDACTED]

Signature of Issuing Judge: [REDACTED]

JASPER

Signature of Affiant POST OFFICE BOX 21398

Affiant's Address COLUMBIA, SC 29221

Affiant's Telephone 803-896-7250 800-0000

Affiant's Telephone

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

03/05/04

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

X It appearing from the JASPER Affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 03/05/04 the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

Now, therefore, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the defendant PIERCE, WILLIAM KELLY of JASPER or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Signature of Issuing Judge: [REDACTED]

Judge Code: 629

MARIE C. RAWL

ORIGINAL

Judge's Address P. O. BOX 665

RIDGELAND, SC 29936

Judge's Telephone 843-726-7737

Issuing Court ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

ARREST WARRANT

1742254

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County / ☐ Municipality of
HORRY
THE STATE
against

WILLIAM KELLY PIERCE

Address: 208 N CHATEAU RD
COLUMBIA SC

Phone: (803) 247-3481 SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: M Race: W Height: [REDACTED] Weight: [REDACTED]

DL State: [REDACTED] DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: 10/24/1971 Agency ORI #: [REDACTED]

Prosecuting Agency:

Prosecuting Officer:

Offense: MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE

Offense Code: [REDACTED]

Code / Ordinance Sec. 8-1-80

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the

☒ County / ☐ Municipality of

RICHMOND

The accused is to be arrested and brought before me to be held with according to law.

(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date: 3/10/05

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to

Defendant

in

02:09

Signature of Constable / Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
☒ County / ☐ Municipality of
HORRY

AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before me the affiant KELLY WARD -SLED

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant WILLIAM KELLY PIERCE

did within this county and state on 5/01/2004 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County / ☐ Municipality of [REDACTED])

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: 8-1-80

MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

THAT ON 2/28/05 THE DEFENDANT ONE WILLIAM K. PIERCE, A FORMER SC STATE TROOPER, WHOSE DUTIES INCLUDED THE ISSUING OF TRAFFIC TICKETS, DID PROVIDE A WRITTEN STATEMENT IN WHICH THE DEFENDANT ADMITTED TO TAKING BOND MONIES AND CONVERTING IT TO HIS OWN PERSONAL USE. THIS MISCONDUCT DID OCCUR IN HORRY COUNTY DURING BIKE WEEKS OF MAY 2004.

Signature of Affiant

[Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County / ☐ Municipality of

HORRY

Affiant's Address PO BOX 21398

COLUMBIA SC 29221

Affiant's Telephone (803) 896-7250

ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 5/01/2004

defendant WILLIAM KELLY PIERCE

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☐ County / ☐ Municipality of [REDACTED]) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: 8-1-80

MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE

Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 3/07/2005

Judge's Name BRAD D. MAYERS

Judge's Address 1201 3RD AVE 2ND FLOOR

Judge's Telephone (843) 915-5290

Signature of Issuing Judge

Judge Code: 81

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

ORIGINAL

Form Approved by
Secretariat General
Serial 21, 2001
SCL 2001-0000

NO. 411 P004/004

SLED MIDLANDS REGION → 803 896 7588

03/10/05

ARREST WARRANT

G-546445

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 BEAUFORT COUNTY

THE STATE

against

PIERCE, WILLIAM KELLY

Address: 208 NORTH CHATEAU RD

COLUMBIA, SC

Phone: 803 247-3481 SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: [REDACTED] Race: [REDACTED] Height: 5'11" Weight: 200

DL State: SC DOB: 10/24/1971 Agency ORI#: [REDACTED]

Prosecuting Agency: ANY LAWFUL OFFICER

Prosecuting Officer: MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE

Offense: MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE

Offense Code: 0819

Code/Ordinance Sec. 17-25-0030

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 Beaufort

The accused

is to be arrested and brought before me to be

dealt with according to law.

 Date: 3/10/05
 Signature of Judge (L.S.)

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant PIERCE, WILLIAM KELLY

on

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

C.L. SMITH

P.O. BOX 840

BLUFFTON, SC 29910

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 BEAUFORT COUNTY

AFFIDAVIT

Case #

BEAUFORT COUNTY

 Personally appeared before me the affiant S.C. LAW ENFORCEMENT/ROBERTSON, M. who
 being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant PIERCE, WILLIAM KELLY
 did within this county and state on 03/08/04 violate the criminal laws of the
 State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of BEAUFORT)
 in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE

17-25-0030

 I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit
 the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

 UPON INFORMATION AND BELIEF ON 03-18-2004 THE DEFENDANT, WILLIAM KELLY PIERCE
 A SC STATE TROOPER WHOSE DUTIES INCLUDED THE ISSUING OF TRAFFIC TICKETS, DID
 ISSUE TICKET #8528475 IN WHICH HE ACCEPTED \$232.00 AND FAILED TO TURN THE
 MONEY INTO THE COURT CONVERTING IT TO HIS OWN PERSONAL USE. THIS INCIDENT
 OCCURRING IN THE COUNTY OF BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA, BEING IN VIOLATION OF THE
 SC CODE OF LAW 17-25-0030 AS AMENDED. THE AFFIANT AND OTHERS ARE WITNESSE TO
 PROVE THE SAME.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 3-7-2005

Signature of Affiant

C. Smith

Signature of Issuing Judge

(L.S.)

Affiant's Address

P.O. BOX 21398

COLUMBIA, SC 29221

Affiant's Telephone

202-00200

202-00200

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 BEAUFORT

ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

If appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 BEAUFORT

) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE

17-25-0030

Now, therefore, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said defendant and bring him or her before

me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the

defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Signature of Issuing Judge

C.L. Smith

(L.S.)

Judge's Address

P.O. BOX 840

BLUFFTON, SC 29910

Judge's Telephone

843 757-1500

ORIGINAL